WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher, comprising:

a unit for generating a plurality of plaintext blocks P_i ($1 \le i \le N$) resulting from separating a plaintext on a specific-length basis, the plaintext including redundant data and a message;

an encryption operation unit for generating a random-number string R from a secret key,

generating random-number blocks R_i (1 $\!\!\!\!\leq\!\!i\!\!\!\leq\!\!N+1$) from the random-number string R, and

performing an encryption operation for ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$) by using the plaintext blocks P_i ($1 \le i \le N$) and the random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$), the random-number string R being longer than the plaintext, the random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$) being used for the encryption corresponding to the plaintext blocks P_i ($1 \le i \le N$); and

an authentication operation unit for generating random-number blocks R_i (2 $\!\!$ i $\!\!$ i $\!\!$ N+1) from the random-number string R, and

performing an authentication operation for message-authentication-code blocks by using the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$) and the random-number blocks R_i ($2 \le i \le N+1$), the random-number blocks R_i ($2 \le i \le N+1$) being used for the authentication corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$).

2. The encryption apparatus for a common-key

cipher according to Claim 1, wherein

the encryption operation unit and the authentication operation unit use the one or more random-number blocks R_i (1 \le i \le N+1),

the total-sum length of the one or more random-number blocks R_i (1 \le i \le N+1) being longer than the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P_i (1 \le i \le N), and being shorter than two times the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P_i (1 \le i \le N).

3. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, wherein

the encryption operation unit performs a binomial operation or a monomial operation one or more times in accordance with predetermined processing steps, the binomial operation or the monomial operation using the plaintext blocks P_i (1 $\le i \le N$),

the authentication operation unit performing a binomial operation or a monomial operation one or more times in accordance with predetermined processing steps, the binomial operation or the monomial operation using the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$),

the encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher further comprising a unit for combining the plurality of acquired ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$) with the message-authentication-code blocks, and outputting the combined result as a ciphertext.

4. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, wherein

the encryption operation unit performs the encryption operation by an exclusive-OR logical sum,

the authentication operation unit performing the authentication operation by an arithmetic multiplication and an arithmetic addition.

5. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, wherein

the encryption operation unit performs the encryption operation by an exclusive-OR logical sum,

the authentication operation unit performing the authentication operation by a multiplication on a finite field and an arithmetic addition.

6. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, wherein

the encryption operation unit and the authentication operation unit share the random-number blocks R_i (1 $\!\!$ i $\!\!$ i) used by the encryption operation unit and the authentication operation unit.

7. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, wherein

the encryption operation unit and the authentication operation unit use the random-number blocks R_i (1 $\le i \le N+1$) which differ from each other.

- 8. The encryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 2, further comprising a pseudo random-number generation unit for generating the random-number string R from said secret key.
- 9. The encryption apparatus for a common-key

cipher according to Claim 8, further comprising:

a unit for dividing the message into a plurality of messages, the psuedo random-number generation unit generating the random-number string R whose random numbers are equivalent to the divided messages in number; and

a unit for allocating either of the divided messages and the random-number string R to different operation units each, and thereby causing a parallel processing to be performed.

10. A decryption apparatus for a common-key cipher, comprising:

a unit for generating a plurality of ciphertext blocks C'_i (1 \le i \le N+2) resulting from separating a ciphertext on a specific-length basis;

an authentication operation unit for generating a random-number string R from a secret key,

generating random-number blocks R_i (1 $\!\!\!\!\leq\!\!i\leq\!\!N+1$) from the random-number string R, and

performing an authentication operation for message-authentication-code blocks by using the ciphertext blocks C'_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$) and the random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$), the random-number string R being longer than the ciphertext, the random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$) being used for the authentication corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C'_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$); and

a decryption operation unit for $\mbox{generating random-number blocks}\ R_i\ (1\le i\le N)$ from the random-number string R, and

performing a decryption operation for plaintext blocks P'_i (1 $\leq i \leq N$) by using the ciphertext blocks C'_i (1 $\leq i \leq N+2$) and the random-number blocks R_i (1 $\leq i \leq N$), the random-number blocks R_i (1 $\leq i \leq N$) being used for the decryption corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C'_i (1 $\leq i \leq N+2$).

11. The decryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 10, wherein

the authentication operation unit and the decryption operation unit use the one or more random-number blocks R_i (1 \le i \le N+1),

the total-sum length of the one or more random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$) being longer than the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P'_i ($1 \le i \le N$), and being shorter than two times the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P'_i ($1 \le i \le N$).

12. The decryption apparatus for a common-key cipher according to Claim 11, further comprising:

a unit for connecting the plurality of plaintext blocks P'_i (1 $\le i \le N$) thereby to generate a plaintext;

a unit for extracting redundant data included in the plaintext; and

a unit for checking the redundant data thereby to detect the presence or absence of a forgery

that may have been performed to the ciphertext.

13. A program-storing medium which stores a program for allowing a computer to execute an encryption processing for a common-key cipher, wherein

the program allows the computer

to generate a plurality of plaintext blocks P_i (1 \leq i \leq N) resulting from separating a plaintext on a specific-length basis, the plaintext including redundant data and a message;

to generate a random-number string R from a secret key,

to generate random-number blocks R_i (1 $\!\!\!\!\leq\!\!i\!\!\!\leq\!\!N+1$) from the random-number string R, and

to perform an encryption operation for ciphertext blocks C_i $(1 \le i \le N+2)$ by using the plaintext blocks P_i $(1 \le i \le N)$ and the random-number blocks R_i $(1 \le i \le N+1)$, the random-number string R being longer than the plaintext, the random-number blocks R_i $(1 \le i \le N+1)$ being used for the encryption corresponding to the plaintext blocks P_i $(1 \le i \le N)$; and

to generate random-number blocks R_i (2 \leq i \leq N+1) from the random-number string R, and

to perform an authentication operation for message-authentication-code blocks by using the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$) and the random-number blocks R_i ($2 \le i \le N+1$), the random-number blocks R_i ($2 \le i \le N+1$) being used for the authentication corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$).

14. The program-storing medium according to Claim13, wherein

the encryption operation and the authentication operation use the one or more random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$),

the total-sum length of the one or more random-number blocks R_i $(1 \le i \le N+1)$ being longer than the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P_i $(1 \le i \le N)$, and being shorter than two times the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P_i $(1 \le i \le N)$.

15. The program-storing medium according to Claim
14, wherein

the program allows the computer

to perform, as the encryption operation, a binomial operation or a monomial operation one or more times in accordance with predetermined processing steps, the binomial operation or the monomial operation using the plaintext blocks P_i ($1 \le i \le N$);

to perform, as the authentication operation, a binomial operation or a monomial operation one or more times in accordance with predetermined processing steps, the binomial operation or the monomial operation using the ciphertext blocks C_i ($1 \le i \le N+2$); and

to combine the plurality of acquired ciphertext blocks C_i (1 \le i \le N+2) with the message-authentication-code blocks, and to output the combined result as a ciphertext.

16. The program-storing medium according to Claim

14, wherein

the program allows the computer

to perform the encryption operation by an exclusive-OR logical sum, and

to perform the authentication operation by an arithmetic multiplication and an arithmetic addition.

17. The program-storing medium according to Claim 14, wherein

the program allows the computer

to perform the encryption operation by an exclusive-OR logical sum, and

to perform the authentication operation by a multiplication on a finite field and an arithmetic addition.

18. The program-storing medium according to Claim 14, wherein

the program allows the encryption operation and the authentication operation to share the random-number blocks R_i (1 \le i \le N+1) used by the encryption operation and the authentication operation.

The program-storing medium according to Claimwherein

the program allows the computer to perform a pseudo random-number generation processing for generating the random-number string R from said secret key.

20. The program-storing medium according to Claim
19, wherein

the program allows the computer to divide the message into a plurality of messages;

to generate, by the psuedo random-number generation processing, the random-number string R whose random numbers are equivalent to the divided messages in number; and

to allocate either of the divided messages and the random-number string R to different operation units each, and thereby to perform a parallel processing.

21. A program-storing medium which stores programs for allowing a computer to execute a decryption processing for a common-key cipher, wherein

the program allows the computer

to generate a plurality of ciphertext blocks C'_i (1 \le i \le N+2) resulting from separating a ciphertext on a specific-length basis;

to generate a random-number string R from a secret key,

to perform an authentication operation for message-authentication-code blocks by using the ciphertext blocks ${\rm C'}_i$ (1\$\leq i\$\leq N+2\$) and the random-number blocks ${\rm R}_i$ (1\$\leq i\$\leq N+1\$), the random-number string R being longer than the ciphertext, the random-number blocks ${\rm R}_i$ (1\$\leq i\$\leq N+1\$) being used for the authentication

corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C'_{i} (1 $\leq i \leq N+2$); and

to generate random-number blocks R_i $(1 {\leq} i {\leq} N)$ from the random-number string R, and

to perform a decryption operation for plaintext blocks P'_i $(1 \le i \le N)$ by using the ciphertext blocks C'_i $(1 \le i \le N+2)$ and the random-number blocks R_i $(1 \le i \le N)$, the random-number blocks R_i $(1 \le i \le N)$ being used for the decryption corresponding to the ciphertext blocks C'_i $(1 \le i \le N+2)$.

22. The program-storing medium according to Claim 21, wherein

the program allows the decryption operation and the authentication operation to use the one or more random-number blocks R_i (1 $\le i \le N+1$),

the total-sum length of the one or more random-number blocks R_i ($1 \le i \le N+1$) being longer than the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P'_i ($1 \le i \le N$), and being shorter than two times the total-sum length of the plaintext blocks P'_i ($1 \le i \le N$).

23. The program-storing medium according to Claim 22, wherein

the program allows the computer

to connect the plurality of plaintext blocks $P'_{\,\,i}\ \, (1\leq i\leq N)\ \, \text{thereby to generate a plaintext;}$

to extract redundant data included in the plaintext; and

to check the redundant data thereby to detect

the presence or absence of a forgery that may have been performed to the ciphertext.